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REMARKS

Claims 1-23 have been cancelled, Claims 24- 47 are pending in the application. New claims 24-47 largely conform to the scope of claims 1-23, however, changes in terminology have been effected to more closely conform the claims to the specification and to clarify the subject matter of the instant application. No new matter has been added by these claims.

In the office action, the Examiner has rejected claims 1-23 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,782,190 to Morito in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,222,800 to Miller.

It is respectfully submitted that independent claim 24 patentably distinguishes over the relied upon portions of the cited references for at least the following references. First, independent claim 24 recites an exclusive code, this exclusive code "including data identifying the data source of the digital video signal." Previously, the Examiner has relied upon the "bar coding" applied by the disk manufacturer as meeting the "exclusive code" element of the claims. Though Applicants previously argued and still maintain that the exclusive code recited in the claims is different from the code referred to by the Examiner, the added limitation to new claim 24 further clarifies this distinction. Neither Morito nor Miller teach an exclusive code that identifies the source of the digital video signal. Moreover, the relied upon references fail to teach the imprinting of such an exclusive code including data identifying the source of the digital video signal on the label side of a disk.

Accordingly, it is submitted that independent claim 24 patentably distinguishes over the relied upon portions of the cited references and is allowable. It is respectfully submitted that independent claims 27, 35, and 37 recite similar or somewhat similar features and are similarly allowable.

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Dependent claims 25, 26, 28-34, 36, and 38-47 each depend from one of the independent claims discussed above and are therefore allowable therewith.

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In view of the remarks set forth above, this application is in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested. However, if for any reason the Examiner should consider this application not to be in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below prior to issuing a further Action.

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